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OF  
TOWN AND  
DISTRICT

## Local News.

Joe Wyman made a business trip to Calgary the first of the week.

Robert German returned from his visit to Ontario on Thursday, having been called east on account of the illness and death of his mother.

Miss Edith Dick left last week for Cardston, where she will teach school. She will be in the inspectorate of her old teacher, Owen Williams.

Geo. E. Clarke is attending an important meeting of Canadian Bank of Commerce managers in Toronto. He expects to be away for about a month.

Chris, Schade, of Lacombe, was in town Monday. He reports that Mrs. Schade is in rather indifferent health.

Mr. and Mrs. Con. Macneilson left for Vancouver on Sunday, where they will visit with relatives. Cor expects to make his home in Alberta, and to return in the spring.

J. B. Williams, of the Watch Tower Bible Tract Society, will give a Bible talk at Mrs. McEwen's home, Chipman Avenue, on Monday evening, January 19, at 7:30.

A few ducks can still be seen enjoying themselves in the river below the dam. That does not speak too bad for Alberta in the middle of January.

It is now illegal for any person to have firearms in their possession, other than British subjects, without a permit. This includes shot guns, etc.

A number of "at-ray" advertisements appear in this issue. Interested parties should look them over.

Several of the hospital attendants journeyed to Red Deer last week, and were present at an enjoyable dance given in the city.

Let it be told straight. All fee for membership in the Ponoka Jurling Club must be paid on or before the 15th inst.

Just a little more snow to help the farmer haul his grain, but the weather for the past month has been perfect. It is said to be a record for this time of the year.

The young folks have erected an open skating rink on the river, and they are certainly enjoying themselves. Next week, January 23rd, they are holding a carnival, and it is expected that there will be a large attendance.

Sing Kei, a Chinaman, who is a visitor to the city from Ponoka, was found lying on the sidewalk on 97th street, near 102nd avenue, about seven o'clock on Monday evening. The unfortunate Chinaman was removed to the Royal Alexandra hospital, where it was discovered that he had fractured his knee cap.—Edmonton Bulletin.

Dr. Mecklenburg, eye specialist, will be at the Royal Hotel on Tuesday, January 20th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Few and family left Tuesday on a visit to friends in Seattle.

Herd law is about to come into force in the municipal district of Water Glen, at least by law are to be voted on at an early date. A change is coming over our country, and now the farmers are becoming tired of having stock at large in their neighborhood.

An important meeting of the Teachers' Alliance will be held in the schoolhouse on Saturday afternoon, January 17th. The business is important, and every teacher in town and district should be present.

At Port Colborne, Ont., on Saturday, November 29th, by the Rev. J. W. McNamara, B.A., Mary Estelle, only daughter of Mr. Norman Neff, to Walter Samuel Foots, M.B., of Port Elgin, Ontario.

Dr. W. H. Hills arrived home from England the other day, having been over on military duty for about two years. He has opened a practice in Edmonton, and his many Ponoka friends will wish him the best of luck. The family left on Tuesday, the 6th, to make their home in Edmonton.

Friday forenoon the fire brigade was called out, the unusual occurrence of a locomotive standing on the track being on fire. Some repair work was being done, necessitating the use of a torch, and a gust of wind sending the flames into the cab, set fire to the wood work. Considerable damage was done.

The Clar-Ra Ladies Jazz Orchestra drew a big audience to the Empress Theatre Thursday evening, and it is said that the melody waives and jazz one steps were much appreciated. Our dancing public will be pleased to learn that a return visit is contemplated. The orchestra was under the management of Rudolph S. Shagrar.

A dance will be given in Lochinvar Public Hall on Friday evening, the 23rd. Rix orchestra, from Lacombe, will furnish the music. Ladies please bring cakes.

A very interesting meeting of the Mission Circle was held at the home of Mrs. Giering on Friday. There was a good attendance, and considerable interest was displayed in the work. In inviting the ladies of Ponoka to our meetings it is pointed out that the Mission Circle is always a Forward Movement.

Baptist Church, Sunday, Jan. 19th—Brooks at 11 a.m.; Sunday school at 12; Ponoka at 7:30 p.m. Subject: Legway. We invite you to attend our service.

FRED GRINDING—Having purchased the feed mill, recently owned by Geo. Taylor, near the creamery, I am prepared to do custom grinding. Call and see me. HUGH MILLER.

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## Announcement

I beg to announce that I have OPENED a HARNES SHOP in the Basement of the Royal Hotel, and hope to merit a fair share of the public patronage.

ARCHIE MACGILLIVRAY Ponoka

## CARD OF THANKS

This is to return our grateful thanks to our neighbors for the considerable act they did us the other day—assisted in hauling feed for our stock. It was a deed which we feel grateful for, and which will not be readily forgotten by us.

A. HOLMEN AND FAMILY

## A GRAND CARNIVAL

WILL BE GIVEN BY THE PONOKA CUBS ON THEIR RINK On Friday, Jan. 23

Prizes will be given for the best dressed Lady and Gentlemen, Boy and Girl. Also a prize will be given for the most musical person.

The Ponoka Band will provide the music. Skating will be from 8:30 sharp to 10 o'clock.

Admission—Adults, 75c; Children 50c. Come and give the boys a boost.

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1 Rean Steer, long yearling, branded TW on right side; 1 Red Yearling Heifer, no visible brand; 1 yearling Red Bull, no visible brand. The above have been on my place for some time. Phone 1619 H. MAIR, R. I. Ponoka.

## CHICKENS FOR SALE

Several Pured Red Orpington Roosters for Sale. Apply, H. T. JONES, Route 1, Ponoka.





# Will Confiscate Private Fortunes To Save Austria

Vienna.—It is expected by the Austrian government that 12,000,000 crowns will be realized from the partial confiscation of private fortunes. This amount will be used in payment for food and raw materials purchased in foreign countries.

Dr. Reusch, minister of finance, making a report on the financial situation to the national assembly, said he hoped soon to obtain a loan of 30,000,000 crowns from Holland. This will be used to buy food.

## Dealing With The Budget

Estimates for Year to Be Down to \$20,000,000.

Ottawa.—The estimates are now under consideration by the cabinet, in preparation for the coming session. The desire of the government is to keep them down to three hundred million dollars on consolidated account. The estimates of all the departments are not yet in, but the present indication is that after the interest charges, which amount to \$10,000,000, are provided for, the amount allocated for ordinary expenditure will be about \$14,000,000, not including capital expenditures, which will be about \$9,000,000. The total revenue last year was about \$32,000,000, which will probably be about the same for the coming year.

It has been stated that the business profits tax will not be renewed. This will make a difference of about \$30,000,000 and can be made up only through the income tax. Railway deficits must also be taken into account and they will be heavy.

It is rumored that they may be taken care of by an increase in rates. Increases of D. R. Hanna, head of the Canadian National railway, before the board of trade at Stratford, that rates must be increased. If the government-owned railways are to be successfully operated on a scale demanded by the business of the country, has attracted a great deal of attention.

## Coal Shortage in Britain

Owners Said to Have Refused to Sell Household Coal at Government's Price.

London.—Shortage of household coal, which approaches famine proportions, is reported in many of the thickly populated districts throughout Great Britain and is resulting in protests to the coal controller from numerous places in Lancashire, South Wales, the London districts and also from Ireland.

Officials of the miners' federation allege the shortage is due to the fact that the lack of the supply is being sent abroad at huge profits for the owners, who refuse to allow the coal to be sold at government prices for household purposes at the government's price.

352 Deportation Warrants Issued. Detroit, Mich.—Deportation warrants for 352 of the 400 alleged communists held here at the time of the raid last week, were received from Washington. At the same time warrants for the deportation of 31 of 37 alleged "anarchists" held at the same place were received. Bolsheviks taken in raids last November, also were received.

Bern.—The repatriation of 30,000 German prisoners from camps in southern France, by way of Switzerland, will begin next week following the exchange of ratification of the peace treaty.

# Crerar Points Way to The Federal Field

Brandon, Man.—The most urgent of the problems facing the farmers of the prairie provinces is the lack of independent political party in Canada in the federal field, so Hon. T. A. Crerar told the convention of the United Farmers of Manitoba. His former cabinet minister talked for more than an hour late in the evening and outlined federal problems, tariff, naval and military expenses and international relations.

"The only way to escape the vast financial burden which rests on the prairie provinces of drastic taxation is to have a federal government," said Mr. Crerar. "The federal government is the only body that can protect the prairie farmer from the financial exploitation of the eastern and western provinces and restore all the liberties enjoyed before the war."

Mr. Crerar said he had little doubt that there would be a good representation of farmers in the next parliament and he would like to see 20 or 30 labor men there, too; the farmers

## Wants More Men In U. S. Army

Secretary of War Baker Asks for Legislation to Keep Force in Germany and Siberia.

Washington.—To enable the department to maintain temporarily American troops in Germany and Siberia, Secretary Baker recommended to congress legislation authorizing the retention of approximately 27,000 soldiers and more for the remainder of the fiscal year. This number is 100,000 in excess of the peace time army permitted by the National Defense act.

A bill carrying out the secretary's recommendation was introduced by Chairman Meadows of the military committee and was referred to that committee.

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Large Hotel for Women Only.

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Automatic Telephones.

Winnipeg.—The provincial telephone commissioner has announced that automatic telephones will be installed in Winnipeg by May 1. The system will be completely installed in the downtown exchanges.

## Prospect Are Good For Overseas Trade

W. C. Nison Sees Highly of Situation in Britain and Other European Countries.

Ottawa.—Prospects for Canada's overseas trade, both in Great Britain and other European countries are excellent, according to W. C. Nison, who was a member of the Canadian trade mission in London with Lloyd Harris, and who is in this city in conference with Sir George Foster and other members of the government and the Canadian trade commission in regard to overseas trade matters.

In the conference held a plan for continuing the trade representation and activities in Great Britain and other countries is being formulated and it is believed will be satisfactorily completed within a few days.

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New York.—Thirty million men, women and children have died in Russia from starvation, violence, famine and disease in the last three years, according to a statement on present conditions in the once-great empire, which was made by Prince Constantine-Speransky, grand daughter of Ulysses Grant, in an appeal in behalf of the American Central committee for Russian relief. The tremendous death toll mentioned by the prince was exclusive, he said, of five million men who had laid down their lives on the Russian front, fighting for the allies.

Manitoba to Have Mounted Police

Organized for the Purpose of Enforcing Law in Remote Sections.

Winnipeg.—A provincial mounted police force is to be organized in Manitoba for the purpose of enforcing law in the more remote sections. Col. J. G. Ratnay, D.S.O., recently appointed chief of the provincial law enforcement department, announced that the new force will be organized in the near future. The force will be organized in the near future. The force will be organized in the near future.

Manitoba Elections in July

Term of Provincial Government Will Expire on August 6.

Winnipeg.—Hon. Edward Brown, provincial treasurer, states that the Manitoba provincial elections will probably take place in the third week of next July. The term of the provincial government automatically expires August 6, 1920.

Steel Strike Settled

National Committee Called Off Strike Which Had Been in Force Since September 2.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—The strike in the steel mills and furnaces called September 2 and which, at its inception, involved 7,000 men, was officially called off here by the national committee after an all-day meeting. Announcement that the national committee had decided to proceed no further, was contained in a telegram sent to the headquarters of the American Federation of Labor Union, Pittsburgh, to the heads of all International unions interested, and to the organizers and field men in all strike districts.

Death Toll Among Poles

Two Million Civilians Have Died Since Outbreak of the War.

Warsaw.—More than 2,000,000 civilians have died in Poland since the outbreak of the war and 20 per cent of the country's present population are refugees, according to statistics received from the Polish Red Cross. They are based on a survey made to show that the burden of war has fallen more heavily on civilians than on the military.

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# United Farmers Want Drastic Temperance Laws

## Prince to Visit His Alberta Ranch

Purchased Dartmouth Ponies and Short-horn Cattle Are Being Shipped.

Calgary.—The Prince of Wales is determined to visit his ranch in Alberta during the coming fall on his way back from India, he told Professor Carlyle of Calgary, who has just returned from England, where he made arrangements for the shipment to the ranch of thoroughbred Dartmouth ponies, which the prince is introducing into Alberta, also thoroughbred short-horn cattle and Shropshire sheep. The name of the ranch has been fixed by the prince as the "R. I. Ranch."

Prof. Carlyle, who is manager of the George Lane ranch, will also manage the prince's ranch.

Cooks Reluctant to Mix With Radicals

"Respectable Prisoners," Led By Auto Bandits, Made Attack on Red in Jail.

Chicago.—Investigation of why more than 100 Reds arranged at the federal building were suffering from the flu and pneumonia, revealed a riot at the county jail in which "respectable prisoners," led by a spirit of auto bandits and jewel thieves, attacked the radicals.

The riot is said to have occurred last Sunday, John Russo, held for a robbery and indicted by the jury, declared that what had happened was the assault of the Reds, is said to have knocked out fifteen of the radicals before guards could get the riot.

A Prisoner Since Birth

Fifteen-Year-Old Girl Sees the Streets for First Time in Her Life.

New York.—A girl twelve years of age, who has been in the custody of her parents in an upper room of a Brooklyn tenement, was rescued by agents of the society for the prevention of cruelty to children and the police.

Earthquake in Mexico.

Mexico City.—Seven towns near Mexico, south of Jalapa, have been overwhelmed by the earth disturbance and a great lake is covering their former sites, according to a message received from Teocelo through Vera Cruz. The bodies of many have been recovered from the wreckage was filed at Teocelo.

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Washington.—A split between President Wilson and William Jennings Bryan over whether the League of Nations should be made an issue at the coming election, topped off the Jackson Day deliberations of the Democratic party chiefs.

The chief of the party in which San Francisco had been chosen as the meeting place of the Democratic national convention on June 8, and it charged the party with political expediency. President Wilson, in his message to the senate, declared that the League of Nations was a "great and noble" project, and that it was "our duty to support it."

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Berlin.—Because a recent Krupp bulletin contained political matter, six hundred workers at the Krupp plant in Essen made a demonstration before the headquarters of the directorate.

To a committee the directors promised that in future, political opinions would not appear in the bulletin. The committee declared that what had happened was the assault of the Reds, is said to have knocked out fifteen of the radicals before guards could get the riot.

Italy Opposed to Punishment for War Crimes

Berlin Paper Says Italians Consider the Matter Will Be Unjust.

Berlin.—The Vossische Zeitung's correspondent in Rome declares that Italy will not ask punishment of any of the German leaders in the war. He also asserts that Italy has notified the supreme council that it will oppose any demand for the extradition of Germans accused of war crimes. The report says that Italy bases its objections on the ground that it would be unjust for Germany to stand at the trial of these former officers as their judges.

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Feel great this morning. As soon as I get up I take a little of Gray's Syrup and it is like a new day.

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# The Increased Price of Wheat

The Canadian Wheat Board has announced an increase of 50c a bushel in the price of wheat to the millers. This action has been taken because Mr. Julius Barnes, of the United States Grain Corporation has succeeded in his attempt to have removed those war-time restrictions which prevented the free entry of Canadian wheat into the United States. The farmers of Western Canada must appreciate what has been done for them by Mr. Barnes.

There was a time when there was loud discussion in Canada as to what effect free wheat from the United States would have upon the price of wheat. It was argued on the one side that the price of wheat at Minneapolis would be reduced to the Canadian level, and it was as emphatically asserted on the other side that the price of Canadian wheat would approach the higher level of Minneapolis. At that time, the United States was in the throes of the war, and the price of wheat was high. Those who argued against free wheat won in the reciprocity election of 1911.

Many things have happened since the year 1911, so many that we are living now in a new order of things altogether. Amongst the many changes that have taken place are those affecting trade in wheat between the United States and Canada. Both countries have removed the war-time restrictions which prevented the free entry of Canadian wheat into the United States. Now, however, the United States is now the law. During the war, and for many months after the Armistice was signed, both countries maintained restriction which made free trade impossible. Now, however, the United States Government has removed all those restrictions which made free trade impossible. We have now a one-sided free wheat between the two countries, and the immediate result of this is an increase to the Canadian farmer of 50c a bushel in the price of his wheat.

Have the farmers of Western Canada changed their attitude in regard to free wheat? The question sounds comical now that they have at last a concrete demonstration of the value of the American market. But the question is not as comical as it seems, and for this reason there is not a chance in a hundred that the United States will keep its market open if Canada continues its present method of selling wheat. The farmers of the United States, especially of the spring wheat growing areas, cannot be expected to look with favor upon the free entry of Canadian wheat into their markets, and they will find allies in the United States in any attempt they may make to re-impose the duty or the restrictions. And in making such an attempt their spokesmen can make use of the kind of argument which has never failed to find a response in the United States.

They can argue that while Canada has removed the duty upon American wheat, it still maintains its restrictions, because American wheat and flour cannot come into Canada except through a permit or a license from the Wheat Board. Not only so, but it can be argued with perhaps still greater effect, that American millers cannot purchase Canadian wheat on commercial terms and by commercial methods; that if they attempt to purchase Canadian wheat they can deal only with a Wheat Board which has a statutory monopoly of all Canadian wheat, and that, therefore, the Canadian farmer is not placed on an equal basis with the American farmer by its licensing system, but also that this form of protection is reinforced and strengthened by the Canadian Government method of selling.

It is impossible to show that this argument is false. This being the case, it is unthinkable that the United States will long keep her market open to Canadian wheat if Canada continues this method of selling. True enough, the United States authorities have not objected so far as the present crop year is concerned, and they have not objected for the simple reason that they have no logical foundation upon which to base such an objection so far as this year is concerned. If Canada has a Wheat Board, they have a United States Grain Corporation. If Canada has restrictions still, they had restrictions until the other day. The operations of the Grain Corporation were so limited since the beginning of the present crop year that it was no incentive to them to remove their restrictions against Canadian wheat in the middle of the crop year.

The operations of the Canadian Wheat Board are so complicated that it cannot be expected that they should cease their operations before the end of the present crop year. So far, therefore, as the handling of this year's crop is concerned, there is no reason why the United States should object to the Canadian method of selling. But should Canada maintain its present method of selling beyond this crop year, there is not a chance in a hundred that the United States will keep her markets open free to Canadian wheat.

It would be a curious development if, while the farmers in 1911 fought and voted for free wheat, they should for 1920 adopt a method of marketing Canadian wheat which would as effectively defeat free wheat between Canada and the United States as thoroughly as it was defeated in 1911.

The above article appeared in the Winnipeg Telegram December 29th. Without expressing any opinion on it I think it is worthy of the most careful consideration.

**JOHN E. BOTTERELL,**  
President Winnipeg Grain Exchange.

**DODD'S IDNEY PILLS**  
The report of the Saskatchewan municipal department shows that there are now seven cities in the province, an increase from 1905, when the province was created of four villages, 317, an increase of 24; towns, 75, an increase of 59; rural municipalities, 300, an increase of 298, and districts, 4,185, an increase of 4,249.

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## BANK BY MAIL

Regular saving will soon show a handsome balance in the depositor's account. It may be difficult for you to come to the bank always when you want to deposit. Send in deposits by mail and you will be as carefully handled as though you handed them over the counter.

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PONOKA BRANCH, G. E. Clarke, Manager.

## BY-LAW

### A By-law of the Municipal District of Water Glen No. 428 For Restraining Animals at Large

1. No Horse, Cattle or Sheep, the property of any person resident or non-resident, within the said Municipal District of Water Glen No. 428, shall at any time be at large in that part of said Municipal District particularly described as follows:  
By-Law No. 2—All of Township 42-22 W. 4, E. of Township 42-23 W. 4, also, all of Township 42-24 W. 4, lying west of Red Deer Lake, 1/2 Sec. 10, Township 42-25 W. 4, Sec. 10, and 1/2 of Municipal District of Water Glen No. 428.
2. Any animal at large shall be deemed to be any animal not under direct control of the owner or some one acting under his authority, or not confined within any building or lawful fence.
3. Any animal at large contrary to the provisions of this By-Law may be impounded in the manner herein provided for.
4. Pounds shall be established as follows:  
No. 2—N.W. 34-22 W. 4, with Godfrey Nelson as keeper.  
No. 3—N.E. 1-23 W. 4, with Wm. T. Hughes as keeper.
5. Any fence conforming with the requirements of the Fence Ordinance shall be deemed to be a lawful fence.
6. The provision of Section 28 to 31A, inclusive, of the Municipal District Act shall be deemed to be incorporated in and form part of this By-Law.
7. The provision of the Stray Animal Ordinance, the entire Animal Ordinance, the Road Ordinance, and the Pound Ordinance shall cease to be operative within the portion described in Section hereon on the coming into force of this By-Law.
8. Any person who suffers or permits any animal, which he is entitled to possession of, to be at large contrary to the provisions of this By-Law shall be guilty of breach of this By-Law, and shall, under summary conviction, under Part XXV of the Criminal Code, forfeit and pay as a penalty an amount not exceeding one hundred dollars and costs, and in default of payment forthwith after conviction, shall be liable to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a period not exceeding thirty days unless such fine and costs, including the costs of commitment, are sooner paid.

Copy of By-Law No. 2 can be seen at Water Glen P.O., Tidestrom P.O., and 8 copies from Water Glen in Barshaw—1 copy Barshaw School, Barshaw, Martin Huggins's Colonel Street, Ernest Gustafson and 3 north of Water Glen P.O.

Copy of By-Law No. 3-6 copies from L. M. Tronson's office at Ponoka, North end, copies on township line—2 at Aker, 1 Wood River P.O., and 1 Ponoka P.O.

C. A. JOHNSON  
Secretary M.D. of Water Glen 428

## Auction Sale

Having sold my farm, I will sell, by Public Auction, on the N.E. q. of Section 3 42-25 W. 4, one and a half miles east of Ponoka on the township line on

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22nd commencing at one o'clock sharp, the following:

6 Head of Horses—Bay Mare, 4 years old, weight 1200 lbs.; grey horse, 11 years old, 1050 lbs.; grey gelding, 6 years old, 1050 lbs.; bay gelding, 11 years old, 1050 lbs.; and 1 yearling, 6 years old, 100 lbs. (all, 6 months old).  
Some CATTLE will be sold at this sale.  
Machinery—Imperial wagon, 3 in. express wagon, hay rack, set of both wheels, 10-spoke disc, 10 in. stables, plow, mowers, fods, pick, several sets of doubletrees and singletrees.  
Harness—Set extra heavy work harness, set medium work harness, set single harness, halters, 2 sets of horse blankets, etc. This harness is as good as new.  
Quantity of Wood  
Household Goods—Window blinds and curtains, new; several stovepipe linings and elbows, cable belated water barrel, single barrel shot gun, and other small articles.

Terms—All sums of \$20 and under cash; over that amount, 12 months time will be given on joint lien notes bearing 5 percent interest, 10 percent discount for cash. No property to be moved until settled for.  
OVERTHELAND CAR  
(Subject to Reserve Bid)  
H. M. Whitcomb, Auctioneer  
Albert Winicko, Owner  
J. G. LaFrance, Clerk

FOR SALE  
Red Polled Bull (Registered) for Sale. Good animal.  
J. G. LaFrance  
Phone 91, Ponoka

STRAYED  
A yearling-old Red Heifer with red head, tip of right ear cut off. Steers, years old, red with white on head, legs and feet no brand. Also came here Red Yearling Bull—Apply Hurdnall, H. No. 2, Ponoka.

ST MARY'S CHURCH  
1st and 3rd Sundays—Morning Service at 11 o'clock.  
2nd Sunday—Evening Service at 7:30 o'clock.  
REV. A. L. HARRNESS, M.A.  
Priest-in-Charge

STRAY  
On the premises of Ed. Chappell on the S.E. of 10-41-27 west of 4th, one red and white yearling Heifer with horns. No visible brand.  
SAM DUFAN  
Brand Reader

ESTRAY  
On my premises, one Iron Grey Mare, rising three years old, 2 hind feet white, one front foot white and little white on face. Owner can have same by paying expenses.  
Cecil Hutchinson  
Phone 1402

STRAY HEIFER  
On my premises, Section 10-44-26, Red Heifer, rising two years in spring, has little short horns. Branded 17 on left ribs.  
J. N. SIMCO  
Ponoka

STRAY MAIRE  
Pinto Mare about 800 lbs. Indistinct brands.  
MARCE CRADALL  
Phone 1112

## Auction Sale

Having sold my farm, I will sell, by Public Auction, on the N.W. q. of Section 13-42-24 W. 4, half mile north of Concord Church, 18 miles east of Ponoka, on

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27th commencing at 11 a.m., the following:

31 HEAD OF STOCK  
9 Horses—Grey gelding, 9 years old, 1200 lbs.; grey gelding, 7 years old, 1200 lbs.; buckskin gelding, 12 years old, 1000 lbs.; grey gelding, 3 years old, 1000 lbs.; bay mare, 10 years old, 1200 lbs.; 2 yearling, 6 months old, 1000 lbs.; yearling gelding, 600 lbs.; team of drivers, 1000 lbs.

22 Head of Cattle—8 Milch cows, 3 yearling heifers, 11 calves.  
Hound Dogs, 30 Chickens  
Implement—John Deere binder, 7 ft. cut, shoe drill, section harrow, 14 in. disc, 10 in. stubble plow, 12-disc ideal giant mow, rake, wagon, spring wagon, buggy, cutter, set driving harness, fods, chains, tools, etc.  
Free Lunch  
No Reserve

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R. M. Whitcomb, Auctioneer  
A. Hicks, Owner  
J. G. LaFrance, Clerk

## PONOKA MARKETS

Wheat, No. 1 Northern, per bush, 1.91	
No. 2 " " " " " " " "	1.88
No. 3 " " " " " " " "	1.84
No. 4 " " " " " " " "	1.78
No. 5 " " " " " " " "	1.65
Barley, No. 1 Northern, per bush, 1.50	
No. 2 " " " " " " " "	1.45
No. 3 " " " " " " " "	1.41
No. 4 " " " " " " " "	1.35
Potatoes, per bush, 1.75	
Eggs, per dozen, .55	
Butter, per lb., .50	
Hops, live, per cwt., \$8.00 to \$9.00	
Beef, live, per cwt., \$8.00 to \$9.00	
Hides, .10	

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## STRAY STEER

Black Yearling Steer, white spot on forehead. No brand. Reward given—J. H. RISS, Ponoka.

## DOG LOST

White Hound, stag and Roman crossed. Left home December 24th. Suitable reward given for information aiding to recovery.  
ROY ENICKSON  
R.R. 1, Ponoka, Phone 161.

## ESTRAY

On the premises of Byron Carpenter N.E. 30-41-25 W. 4, south-east of Ponoka, 1 blue roan muley Heifer nearly black, rising 2 years, branded on right hip 52; brand badly blotched.  
1 blue roan Heifer, rising 2 years, star on face, white under belly and well up each side, branded on right hip 52; brand blotched.  
1 black Heifer, rising 2 years, small horns, branded on right hip 52; brand blotched.  
C. L. FANESM, Brand Reader

## STRAY

On the premises of Theo. Warren eight miles north of Ponoka, 24 of 4 42-25 W. 4, 1 Steer rising 2 years, white face, white on top of head, white under belly, and tail nearly all white. Branded 77 on right hip.  
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